



PDI 2004

PDI 2004... The PDI 2004 will be held in Cleveland, Ohio on June 1- June 4 and will be hosted by the Cleveland chapter with assistance from Buckeye and Aviation chapters. If you have a suggestion for a workshop topic, please contact Jennifer Sizemore by 31 December. Some planning tidbits:

- * A letter will be sent to all chapters in December with details about the Chapter Fair and its theme. Booths will be enlarged from last year, and each chapter will be limited to one.

- * The Health Fair on Tuesday will have an expanded number of exhibitors, to include medical advice and health screening such as glucose, cholesterol, and blood pressure.

- * Sixteen hotels are reserved, with a range in price from \$85 to \$116.

- * Registration will open at the end of February.

- * Early registration for ASMC members will be \$450.

- * The Federal Executive Institute will be providing workshops.

- * Video streaming will be available, as with PDI 2003. Fewer workshops will be filmed, but the sessions will count for Continuing Professional Education Units.

San Diego Chapter Grant Program - Update

The notice on page 9 of the recently mailed Armed Forces Comptroller announces the San Diego Chapter Grant Program. Please accept the following changes to the text as you consider whether to apply:

- Due date is 15 December - either emailed or postmarked by that date.

- Electronic submissions without signature are acceptable if emailed by the chapter president or vice president.

- The web page cited in the notice is down for repair. Email the contact below for an application.

- Email CDR Gregory Martin at gregory.martin@navy.mil or call 619-524-7252 with questions regarding this program. If you are mailing an application, please advise CDR Martin by email.

Chapter Award Plaques

In September, we mailed all the chapter award plates to winning chapters. Unfortunately, the plates were created with holes, which are not what we use on the perpetual plaques. New plates will be mailed to all winning chapters in the beginning of December, along with the plaques for chapters waiting on those. Several chapters have queried about missing or lost chapter plaques. If your chapter has misplaced a plaque or plate, or you suspect that your plaque may not be complete, contact Jennifer Sizemore at ASMC HQ.

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www.asmcnline.org Bulletin Board

The ASMC website has a bulletin board forum to facilitate communication and networking between chapters. We encourage you to use this forum to exchange information, gather input, and announce chapter programs. Please remember that inquiries for ASMC staff members should be sent via e-mail.

Chapter Liability Insurance

All chapters have liability coverage under the national insurance policy, as each chapter pays \$1.00 per member for this policy. A copy of the policy is available on the ASMC website and is updated each year in January. A chapter officer should print the certificate and insure it is on file with your installation.

Award Deadlines Approaching

Several award categories have deadlines that are fast approaching. Please insure that your chapter members have an opportunity to be recognized... submit a nomination! All award forms and rules are available on the ASMC website! Please keep in mind the following deadlines:

Individual & Team Achievement	31 January
Corporate Member of the Year	31 January
Essay Contest	28 February
Members Continuing Education Grants	28 February

NCM Presentations Available On-Line

Workshop presentations from the Mid-Year National Council Meeting held 12-13 November, 2003, are now available in the professional development section of the ASMC website at www.asmcnline.org/development.

Pay-Day Lending

Mr. Roderick Mitchell made a presentation at the Mid-Year National Council Meeting outlining the danger of Pay-Day Lending. He introduced the Pentagon Federal Credit Union Foundation which has been established to provide information and training on personal financial management. We encourage Chapters to gain further information on this subject at www.pentagonfoundation.org.

Membership Dues Review

Mr. Charlie Cook, USMC Vice President of ASMC, has been appointed as a committee of one to review individual dues structure. He will consider in his report all aspects of dues to include amount of membership dues, multi-year dues, and on-line payment. Please respond to queries and surveys he will initiate.